

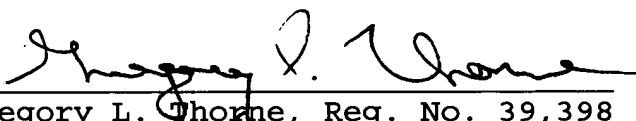
REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action that issued June 10, 2004. In light of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and removal of the grounds for rejection are respectfully requested.

Applicant has canceled Claims 1-14 and 18-21 without prejudice and requests allowance and issuance of allowed Claims 15-17. A continuation application and preliminary amendment, directed to the subject matter covered by the cancelled claims will be filed after receipt of a notice of allowance to continue the prosecution of the canceled claims.

This amendment places the instant application in condition for immediate allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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